PROGRAMME OF WORK AND BUDGET OF IFAD FOR 1999

1. With reference to Note 1 on the first page of the Programme of Work and Budget of IFAD for 1999 (document GC 22/L.5), the Governing Council is invited to approve the recalculation of the budget at the present prevailing exchange rate for the Italian lira, since the original budget was calculated at ITL 1 734/USD 1.00, the anticipated average exchange rate for 1998.

2. With the introduction of the euro on 1 January 1999, it is necessary to use the prevailing EUR/USD exchange rate and the ITL/EUR fixed conversion rate in order to arrive at the ITL/USD exchange rate. The derived ITL/USD rate of exchange is ITL 1 731.29/USD 1.00, which the President recommends that the Governing Council adopt for the purpose of the recalculation of the Budget of IFAD for 1999.

3. Accordingly, in paragraph 5 of the draft resolution on page i of document GC 22/L.5, the total amount of the Budget of IFAD for 1999 will be USD 55 416 000, including a contingency of USD 400 000, plus a separate amount of USD 343 400 for funding the 1999 sessions of the Consultations to Review the Adequacy of the Resources Available to IFAD.
DRAFT RESOLUTION ON THE BUDGET OF IFAD FOR 1999

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Budget of IFAD for 1999

The Governing Council of IFAD,

1. **Bearing in mind** Article 6.10 of the Agreement Establishing IFAD and Regulation VI of the Financial Regulations of IFAD;

2. **Noting** that at its Sixty-Fifth Session, the Executive Board reviewed and agreed upon a Programme of Work of IFAD for 1999 in the amount of SDR 335.2 million;

3. **Noting** that, at the request of the Government of the Republic of Zambia to postpone to 1999 the loan proposed for Zambia in 1998, the Executive Board decided, on an exceptional basis, to approve an additional SDR 9 million for the 1999 Programme of Work for the postponed Zambia loan;

4. **Having considered** the review of the Sixty-Fifth Session of the Executive Board concerning the proposed Budget of IFAD for 1999;

5. **Approves** the Budget of IFAD for 1999, as contained in document GC 22/L.5 in the amount of USD 55 416 000 determined on the basis of a rate of exchange of ITL 1 731.29/USD 1.00, including a contingency of USD 400 000, plus a separate amount of USD 343 400 for funding the 1999 sessions of the Consultation to Review the Adequacy of the Resources Available to IFAD;

6. **Decides** that, in the event the average value of the United States dollar in 1999 should change against the Italian lira rate of exchange used to calculate the budget, the total United States dollar equivalent of the lira expenditures in the budget shall be adjusted in the proportion that the actual exchange rate in 1999 bears to the budget exchange rate.